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For: LAMINATED PIEZOELECTRIC ELEMENT AND METHOD FOR PRODUCING THE
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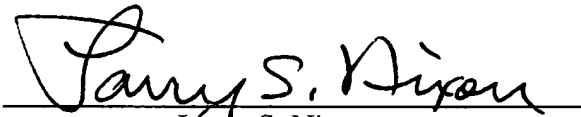
RESPONSE

In response to the Office Action dated 12/13/2004 finding that the applicant has claimed two patentably distinct inventions (i.e., neither one of which makes the other "obvious" under 35 U.S.C. § 103), applicant hereby elects the patentably distinct invention II comprising claims 9-18 for further substantive consideration in the present application.

Respectfully submitted,

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This is a response/amendment/letter in the above-identified application and includes an attachment which is hereby incorporated by reference and the signature below serves as the signature to the attachment in the absence of any other signature thereon.

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Total effective claims after amendment 0 minus highest number
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☐ Applicant claims "small entity" status. ☐ Statement filed herewith

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